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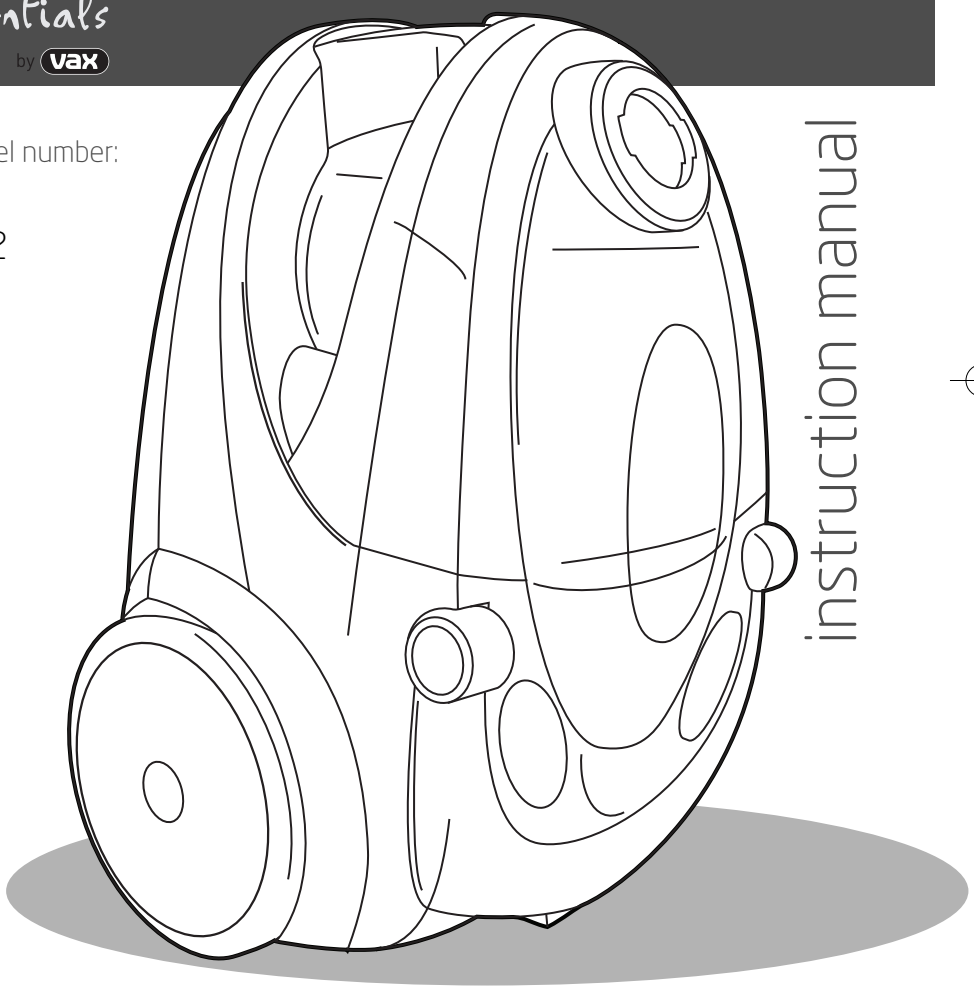

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Please read carefully before using this cleaner.
Always fully extend the mains cable before use.
Retain for future reference.

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1. Diagram

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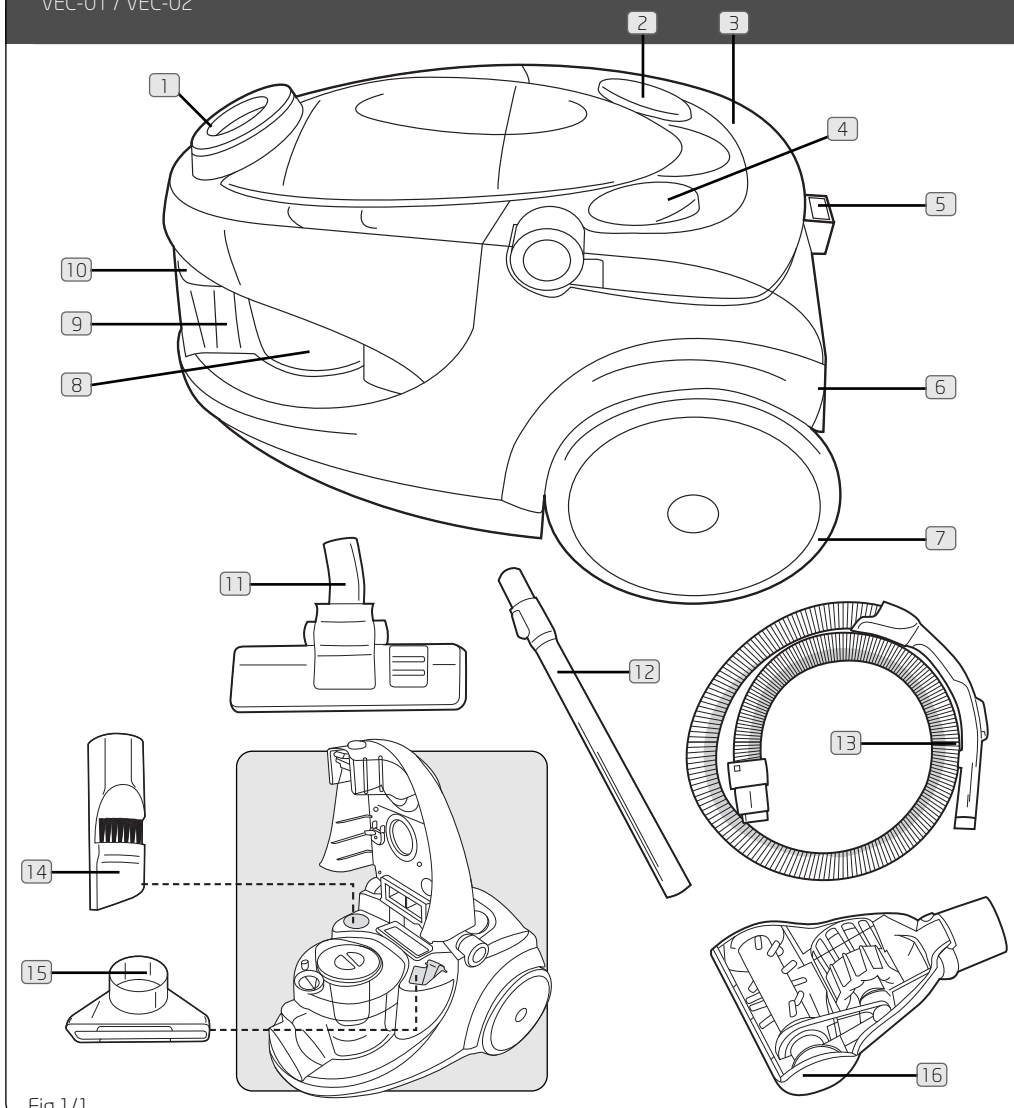

Fig.1/1

1. Hose inlet
2. Auto cord rewind
3. Carry handle
4. On/off button
5. Parking slot
6. Post-motor cover
7. Wheel
8. Central HEPA filter
9. Quick-release dirt container
10. Lid release button
11. Combination floor tool
12. Telescopic extension tube
13. Flexible hose
14. 2-in-1 tool
15. Upholstery tool
16. TurboTool (Model: VEC-02 only)

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2. Safety Information

For Household Use Only

When using the vacuum cleaner, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Only use the vacuum cleaner indoors on dry surfaces.
2. Turn off the vacuum cleaner controls before connecting or disconnecting from the mains supply.
3. Always unplug the vacuum cleaner before connecting or disconnecting the vacuum hose and accessories.
4. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
5. The appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
6. Use only as described in this manual. Use only the manufacturer's recommended attachments.
7. Do not use the vacuum cleaner if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors or dropped into water. Do not use the vacuum cleaner with a damaged cord or plug. If the supply cord or plug is damaged, return the vacuum cleaner to a Vax Authorised Service Agent or suitably qualified person for examination, repair or adjustment.
8. Do not pull or carry by the cord. Do not use the cord as a handle, close a door on the cord or pull the cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run the vacuum cleaner over the cord. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
9. Do not handle the plug or vacuum cleaner with wet hands. Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
10. Do not put any objects into openings. Do not use with any openings blocked and do not restrict air flow. Keep all openings free of dust, lint, hair or anything that may reduce airflow.
11. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
12. Do not pick up hot coals, cigarette butts, matches or any hot, smoking or burning objects.
13. Do not pick up flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, petrol, kerosene, etc) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapours.
14. Do not vacuum up harmful or toxic material (chlorine bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, etc).
15. Do not vacuum up hard or sharp objects such as glass, nails, screws, coins, etc.
16. Do not use without the filters in place.
17. Take extra care when vacuuming stairs.
18. Keep vacuuming area well lit.
19. Store the vacuum cleaner indoors in a cool, dry area.
20. Turn off the on/off switch before unplugging the vacuum cleaner.
21. Use only CE-approved 13 amp extension cords. Non-approved extension cords may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that the cord cannot be pulled or tripped over.

⚠ WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet before assembling, opening or emptying the dirt container, or before connecting/disconnecting the attachments.

⚠ CAUTION: The vacuum cleaner is a very powerful unit. Before plugging the cord into the electrical outlet, make sure the switch is in the 'off' position.

⚠ IMPORTANT: If the inlet, hose or telescopic tube is blocked, switch off the vacuum cleaner and remove the blockage(s) before re-starting the vacuum cleaner.

⚠ IMPORTANT: Cleaning filters improves vacuum performance. Make sure all the filters are completely dry before inserting back into the vacuum cleaner.

This vacuum cleaner is intended for household use only and not for commercial or industrial use.

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3. How to Assemble

⚠ IMPORTANT: Always unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet before assembling or removing the accessories.

1. Insert the flexible hose connector into the inlet on the main body of the vacuum cleaner by lining up the arrow on the connector (1) to the inlet recesses. Then rotate the hose 90 degrees clockwise (2) to lock the hose in to position (Fig.3/1).

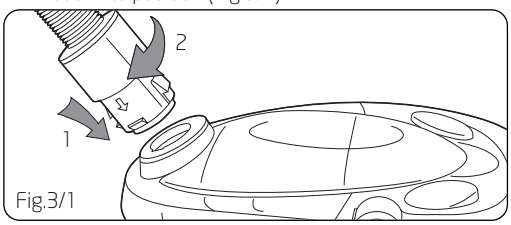


Fig.3/1

2. Push the telescopic extension tube on to the end of the handle (Fig.3/2).

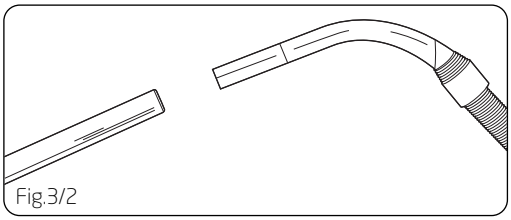
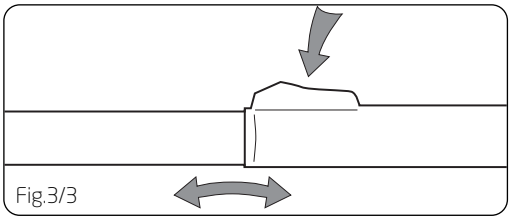


Fig.3/2

3. The telescopic extension tube can be lengthened or shortened by pushing the button in and sliding the tube apart or together as required (Fig.3/3).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4. Fit the combination floor head by pushing onto the extension tube (Fig.3/4).

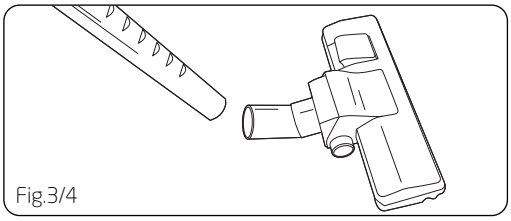
Fig.3/4

4. How to Operate

Cord Release

Fully unwind the power cord. A yellow mark on the power cord indicates the recommended cord length. Do not exceed the cord length beyond the red mark.

On/Off Button

Insert the power plug into the electrical outlet. Ensure the vacuum cleaner is switched off.

Press the on/off button located on the top of the vacuum cleaner and press the button again to turn the vacuum cleaner off.

Carpet Cleaning

For carpet and rug cleaning press the rocker switch on the combination floor head to raise the brushes.

Hard floor cleaning

For hard floor cleaning, press the rocker switch on the combination floor head to lower the brushes.

Cord Rewind

To rewind the power cord, press the cord rewind button, located on the top of the vacuum cleaner, and guide the power cord with one hand. This will prevent the cord from whipping which could cause damage or injury.

Carry Handle

Use the carry handle located behind the cord rewind button and on/off button to move the vacuum cleaner from room to room.

Hose Storage

For convenience there is a slot located at the rear of the vacuum cleaner where the floor tool and hose can be parked for carrying and storage.

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5. Accessories

The accessories can be attached directly to the handle by removing the telescopic tube and pushing in the desired accessory.

The accessories can also be attached to the telescopic tube for extra reach. Remove the combination floor head and push on the desired accessory.

NOTE: The 2-in-1 tool and crevice tool are stored underneath the vacuum cleaner lid behind the dirt container.

2-in-1 Tool

Dusting brush: for delicate surfaces.

Crevice tool: for crevices, corners and cracks, etc.

Upholstery Tool

For carpet, upholstery, stairs, etc.

TurboTool (Model: VEC-02 only)

For pet hair, stair and upholstery cleaning (NOTE: Do not use the TurboTool on suede and leather surfaces).

6. Dirt Container & Filter: Removal and Replacement

NOTE: Before emptying the dirt container and removing or replacing any filters the hose must be removed from the vacuum.

Press and hold in the latches on the side of the hose connector (Fig.6/1).

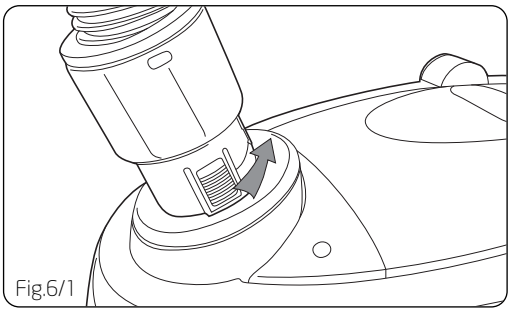

Fig.6/1

Rotate the connector 90° anti-clockwise until the arrows on the connector line up with the inlet recesses and remove the hose from the unit (Fig.6/2).

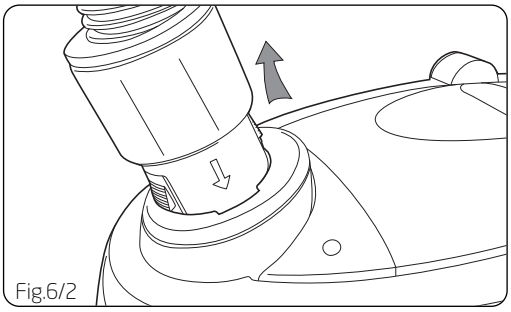

Fig.6/2

⚠ WARNING: Always unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet before removing the dirt container.

⚠ WARNING: Do NOT use the vacuum cleaner without ALL of the filters in place.

NOTE: For best performance, replace filters annually.

Emptying the Dirt Container

Press the button on the front of the vacuum cleaner to open the vacuum cleaner lid. Lift out the dirt container by the handle. (Fig.6/3)

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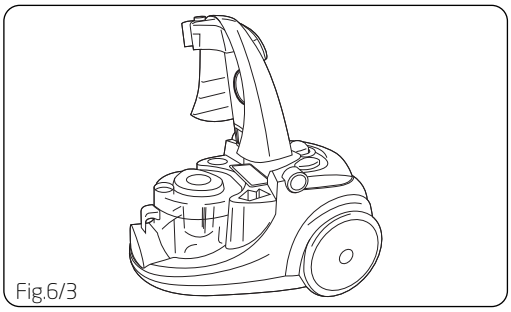
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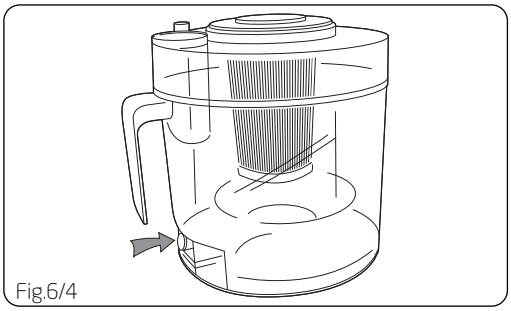
Position the dirt container over a rubbish bin and press the dirt container release catch (Fig.6/4)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When all the dirt has fallen close the dirt container flap, and return the dirt container to the vacuum cleaner.

Cleaning the Filter

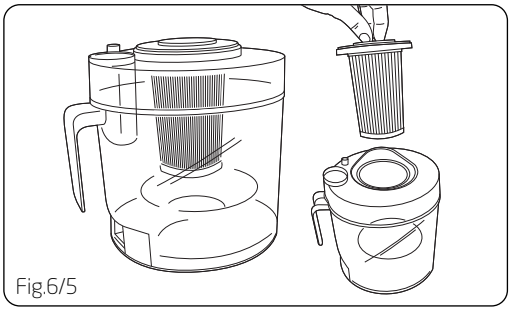
NOTE: Do not use any detergents or boiling water to wash the filters. Vax recommends washing the filters every 4 weeks.

NOTE: All filters must be in place before using the vacuum cleaner.

Central Filter

Remove the dirt container as directed above.

Pull out the central filter as shown (Fig.6/5).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Gently tap the filter against the side of a rubbish bin to remove excess dirt (Fig.6/6).

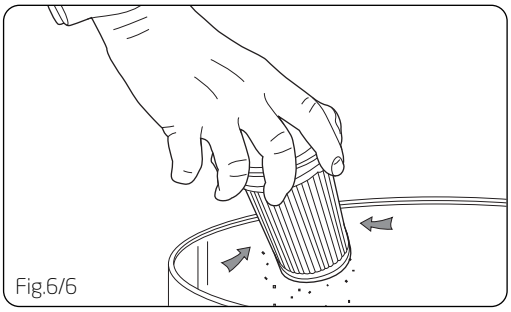
Fig.6/6

The central filter can be rinsed in warm water (max 40°C). Allow to air dry completely before replacing (Fig.6/7).

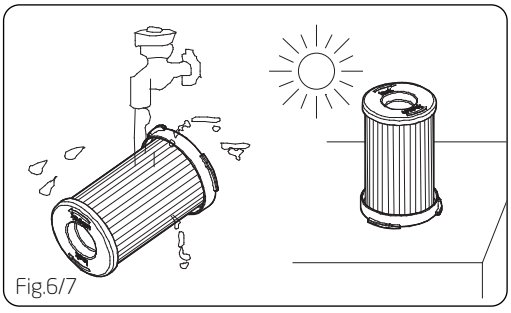
Fig.6/7

Return the central filter to the dirt container. Replace the dirt container as directed.

Pre-motor Filter

Lift up the vacuum cleaner lid as directed.

Pull out the pre-motor filter as shown (Fig.6/8).

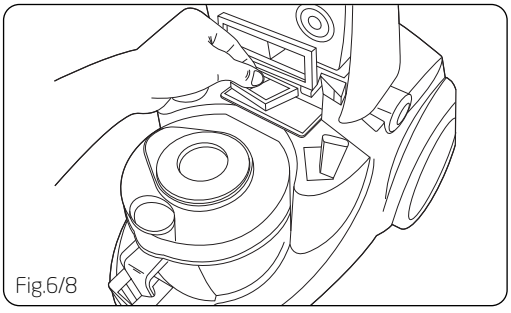
Fig.6/8

The pre-motor filter can be rinsed in warm water (max 40°C). Allow to air dry for 24 hours before replacing.

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Return the pre-motor filter to the vacuum cleaner and close the vacuum cleaner lid.

Post-motor Filter

NOTE: This is located on the back of the vacuum cleaner.

Release the post-motor cover by pressing down on the two catches at the top of the cover (Fig.6/9).

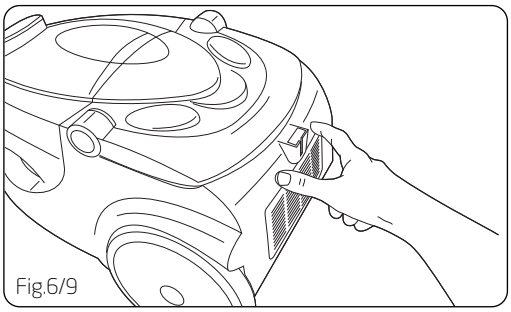

Fig.6/9

Remove the filter by pulling away from the casing (Fig.6/10).

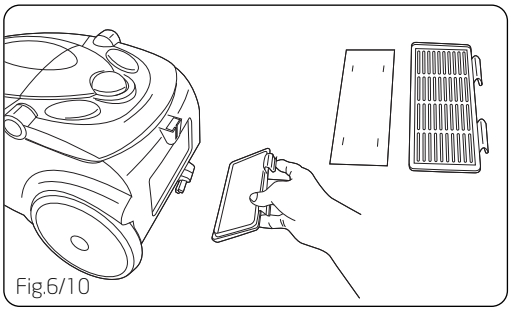

Fig.6/10

The post-motor filter can be rinsed in warm water (max 40°C). Allow to air dry for at least 24 hours before replacing

Return the post-motor filter to the casing and re-fit to the back of the vacuum cleaner.

7. Clearing Blockages

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of electric shock, the power cord must be disconnected before performing maintenance or troubleshooting checks.

Turn the vacuum cleaner off and unplug from the electrical outlet.

The flexible hose can be disconnected from the vacuum cleaner by rotating 90 deg. Anti-clockwise, until the hose lugs line up with spacers and then pull away from the machine. Remove any blockages found then re-connect the hose securely.

Removing debris from the TurboTool (Model: VEC-02 only)

Switch the vacuum cleaner off and disconnect the power plug from the electrical outlet.

Rotate the locking ring 180° (Fig.7/1).

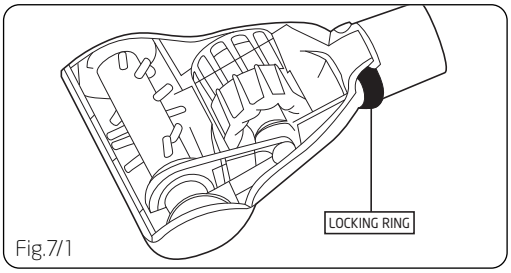

Fig.7/1

Lift the top cover off and remove any blockage (Fig.7/2).

To re-assemble, ensure that the tabs are engage. Pivot the lower housing closed and rotate the locking ring 180° (Fig.7/2).

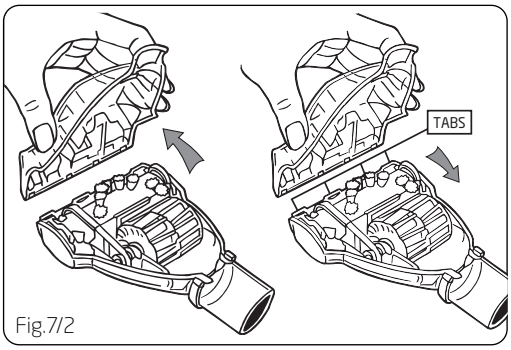

Fig.7/2

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8. Storage

⚠ IMPORTANT: Always unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet and rewind the power cord as directed before storing.

NOTE: Always store the vacuum cleaner base down.

9. Troubleshooting

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of personal injury, unplug the vacuum cleaner before performing maintenance or troubleshooting checks.

PROBLEM: Vacuum cleaner won't run	
Cause:	Not properly plugged into electrical outlet.
Solution:	Plug in securely.
Cause:	No electricity in the electrical outlet.
Solution:	Check fuse or breaker.
Cause:	On/off switch not turned on.
Solution:	Push on/off switch to 'on'.
Cause:	Motor thermostat has tripped.
Solution:	Switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner. Leave for one (1) hour before switching the vacuum cleaner back on.
Cause:	Blown fuse/tripped breaker.
Solution:	Reset circuit breaker or replace fuse.

PROBLEM: Cleaner won't pick up/loss of suction.	
Cause:	Dirt container not installed properly.
Solution:	Review dirt container replacement.
Cause:	Dirt container full or blocked.
Solution:	Empty dirt container.
Cause:	Clogged filters.
Solution:	Remove, clean and replace filters.

PROBLEM: Accessories won't pick up.	
Cause:	Accessories are not attached correctly.
Solution:	Refer to section 5.
Cause:	TurboTool is clogged.
Solution:	Refer to section 7.
Cause:	Hose is not installed correctly.
Solution:	Refer to section 7.

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PROBLEM: Dust escaping from the vacuum cleaner.	
Cause:	Dirt container full.
Solution:	Empty dirt container.
Cause:	Dirt container not installed correctly.
Solution:	Review dirt container replacement.
Cause:	Hose is not installed correctly.
Solution:	Review installation.
Cause:	Filter not installed completely.
Solution:	Remove, clean and replace filters.

10. UK Service & Help

Vax Care 0870 6061248

Monday-Friday 8.00am to 6.00pm.
Saturday-Sunday 9.00am to 5.00pm.

An answerphone is available outside of these hours. Any queries or concerns about using the Vax, call the Vax Careline. Calls are charged at the UK national rate.

Please make a note of the serial number and model number of the carpet cleaner before calling. There are over 400 approved Vax Service Agents in the UK. For the nearest Service Agent, please call the Vax Careline.

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11. Technical Specification

Voltage:	220-240V ~50Hz
Wattage:	1800W (dependant on model)
Capacity:	1.8 litres approx
Filters:	Central HEPA filter - washable
	Pre-motor filter - washable
	Post-motor filter - washable
Cord length:	4.8m approx
Weight:	5.41kg

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